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SUBJECT: YEMEN INTERESTED IN RESOLUTION TO LIFT UN
SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQ

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(C) On May 7, during a previously scheduled meeting on various subjects, PolOff delivered reftel points on the forthcoming U.S. draft resolution to lift UN sanctions against Iraq to Mr. Dirham Saidi, America Specialist in the MFA and a relative of Ambassador Abdullah Mohamed al-Saidi, Yemen's Permrep to the UN. Saidi requested information on the precise timing of the resolution's introduction, and expressed interest in its content and scope -- specifically, whether the resolution would call for an end to sanctions across the board or be limited to specific areas. Saidi agreed that holding official comment until ROYG had a full understanding of the resolution would be appropriate.

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